# EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY



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#### Situation Report

Severe Storms with Tornadoes and Flash Flooding

May 12, 2003

Another series of storms caused significant damage throughout Missouri over the weekend. The storms produced several confirmed tornados throughout the state, in addition to high straight-line winds, damaging hail, and flash flooding. Major damage was reported in the northeast corner of the state in Lewis County from a tornado that touched down Saturday evening. One person drowned in Monroe County as a result of flash flooding.

## **County Reports:**

(Note: This listing of counties reflects only those that have reported their damages to SEMA. Additional reports are anticipated from other affected counties.)

Please Note: Counties names reporting damages from this weekend are in boldface type.

Barton County: No changes reported

<u>Bollinger County:</u> Among 11 counties declared a Federal disaster area on Friday. Residents and business owners who sustained uninsured losses may apply to FEMA for help under Individual Assistance programs.

Boone County: No changes reported

Camden County: No changes reported

<u>Cape Girardeau County:</u> Among 11 counties declared a Federal disaster area on Friday. Residents and business owners who sustained uninsured losses may apply to FEMA for help under Individual Assistance programs. City and County governments declared eligible for debris removal and emergency response aid under Public Assistance program.

<u>Cass County:</u> Tornado touched down on May 9 (FRI) at 2130 hours. One person injured. 17 homes damages with estimated loss of \$205,000. 1 business with major damage; estimated loss of \$500,000.

Cedar County: No changes reported

**Christian County:** No changes reported

<u>Clay County:</u> Disaster Recover Center to open at Antioch Mall later today (see below).

Cole County: No changes reported.

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<u>Crawford County:</u> No changes reported.

<u>Dallas County</u>: No changes reported.

**Dent County**: Reports trees down and damage to a barn from storms of last week (4-10 MAY)

<u>Franklin County</u>: Among 11 counties declared a Federal disaster area on Friday. Residents and business owners who sustained uninsured losses may apply to FEMA for help under Individual Assistance programs.

<u>Greene County:</u> No changes reported.

<u>Howard County:</u> Reports damages estimated at \$200,000 to infrastructure. Requesting state damage assessment.

<u>Jackson County:</u> No changes reported.

Jasper County: No changes reported

<u>Jefferson County:</u> Among 11 counties declared a Federal disaster area on Friday. Residents and business owners who sustained uninsured losses may apply to FEMA for help under Individual Assistance programs. City and County governments declared eligible for debris removal and emergency response aid under Public Assistance program.

Johnson County: No changes reported

**<u>Knox County</u>**: Lewis County Electric Coop reports estimated \$20,000 damage to electrical system in Knox County.

<u>Lawrence County:</u> Disaster Recovery Center to open today in Pierce City (see below).

<u>Lewis County</u>: Weather Service estimates F2 tornado struck Ewing and Canton areas around 1830 on May 10 (SAT). At least 5 people suffered minor injuries, including two who were injured when two tractor-trailers were blown over by the storm. 83 homes destroyed, 9 additional homes with damage. 6 businesses with damage. Culver-Stockton College has damage to field house, admin building, and dorm; their estimated loss is close to \$5-million. Lewis County Electrict Coop reports estimated \$80,000 damage to electrical system in Lewis County.

Moniteau County: No changes reported

<u>Monroe County:</u> Water Patrol reports 17-year-old man was swept away by flood waters near Madison as he attempted to cross Reese Creek in his horse and buggy.

Osage County: No changes reported.

<u>Pettis County:</u> Strong winds on May 9-10 resulted in significant damage. Local officials have declared emergencies in Sedalia, Smithton, and Pettis County. Damage assessments are ongoing.

Platte County: No changes reported.

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Phelps County: No changes reported

<u>Perry County</u>: Among 11 counties declared a Federal disaster area on Friday. Residents and business owners who sustained uninsured losses may apply to FEMA for help under Individual Assistance programs.

<u>Pike County:</u> Flash flooding problems over the weekend. Sheriff's Dept. reports one large bridge destroyed, 3 other bridges damaged and closed, and 3 low-water crossings washed out.

<u>Polk County:</u> Emergency operations are being scaled back to 8-hour shifts starting today, and a public information hotline is being discontinued.

Pulaski County: No changes reported.

<u>St Francois County</u>: Among 11 counties declared a Federal disaster area on Friday. Residents and business owners who sustained uninsured losses may apply to FEMA for help under Individual Assistance programs.

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<u>Scott County</u>: Among 11 counties declared a Federal disaster area on Friday. Residents and business owners who sustained uninsured losses may apply to FEMA for help under Individual Assistance programs.

<u>Stoddard County:</u> Among 11 counties declared a Federal disaster area on Friday. Residents and business owners who sustained uninsured losses may apply to FEMA for help under Individual Assistance programs.

<u>Washington County</u>: Among 11 counties declared a Federal disaster area on Friday. Residents and business owners who sustained uninsured losses may apply to FEMA for help under Individual Assistance programs.

<u>FEDERAL/STATE Actions:</u> Disaster Recovery Center to open at 0900 in Pierce City on the parking lot of St. Mary's Catholic Church. Hours will be 9a-6p, Mon-Sat. Another Disaster Recovery Center to open at 1300 in the Northland Neighborhoods store at Antioch Mall for residents in the Kansas City area. Both centers will be housed with representatives from several State and Federal agencies with information about disaster assistance and the recovery process. FEMA Teleregistration continues to take applications for Individual Assistance in the declared counties. Anyone who suffered losses in last week's storms (whether insured or not) should register with FEMA at 1-800-621-FEMA (3362).

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The State will begin conducting Public Assistance briefings for representatives of local governments who may wish to have their jurisdictions apply for aid under the FEMA Public Assistance program. The briefing schedule is as follows:

Carthage Memorial Hall 4<sup>th</sup> and Garrison (on the square)

Carthage, MO

Time: 5/13/03 @ 9:30 a.m.

Platte County Courthouse 415 3<sup>rd</sup> St Platte City, MO Time: 5/13/03 @ 1:00 p.m.

Greene County Courthouse 940 Boonville Springfield, MO

Time: 5/13/03 @ 1:30 p.m.

Blue River Community College 20301 E Hwy 78 Room 104

Independence, MO

Time: 5/14/03 @ 9:00 a.m.

Camden County Courthouse #1 Court Circle (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Main Courtroom) Camdenton, MO

Time: 5/14/03 @ 9:30 a.m.

# Other State Agency Actions:

**Department of Corrections:** Inmates from three institutions are still assisting around the state in cleaning up areas damage by the storms. Some of the communities they are working in include Montreal, Stockton, Pierce City, Polk County, Christian County and Dallas County.

**Department of Economic Development:** Meeting with SEMA today to determine short-term and long-term housing needs.

**Department of Natural Resources:** DNR - Environmental Assistance Office has been addressing the debris removal and permit process for burning debris and other environmental issues.

Department of Health and Human Services: DHSS has been monitoring the state's hospital systems for disaster related diseases that may appear in the post-storm time period. They are assisting communities in testing water and monitoring health conditions in disaster areas.

**Department of Mental Health:** Through contract providers is offering crisis-counseling services in ARC shelters throughout Missouri. Mental Health crisis hotline has been proffering services. No injuries or damage at any DMH facility in the State. One community provider for MRDD (Mental Retardation – Developmentally Disabled) clients was damaged in Stockton, Missouri. DMH is working on an application for a FEMA immediate services grant (ISG). Disaster mental Health training will be provided for ministers in southeast Missouri on May 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Department of Pubic Safety:** *Missouri State Highway Patrol* is assisting with security as needed. Missouri Water Patrol has resumed normal operations but continue to provide assistance to local communities on an as-needed basis.

**Department of Social Services:** Social Services – Division of Family Services are assisting in the coordination of mass care and supporting community collaboration efforts.

**Department of Transportation:** MODOT continues to provide support to local communities though debris removal assistance.

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#### **Shelters**

Canton – United Methodist Church was opened on Saturday; currently housing 17 people.

<u>Forecast:</u> Mostly sunny on Monday with highs in the 60s and 70s. Chance of storms on Tue, Wed, and Thu.

Deaths by County (Confirmed) – Updated to reflect flash flooding death in Monroe County

Barton County – 1

Camden County - 3

Cedar County – 3

Christian County - 1

Dallas County - 2

Greene County - 1

Jasper County - 2

Lawrence County - 5

Monroe County - 1

Total - 19

**National Guard Activation** 

All missions are complete

Mutual Aid

No changes reported.

#### **HUMAN SERVICES AND VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS**

Human Services and voluntary agencies continue to provide human services and mass care. The focusing on the hardest hit areas of the state, agencies are increasing levels of services, staff and resources to meet urgent needs including, food, water, clothing, shelter, emergency medical, mental health and other serious needs. Community collaboration is generally being done county by county. Many counties have established or pre-existing Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COADs)

#### **Unsolicited and Undesignated Donations and Volunteers – Coordination Information:**

Two sectors within the state for unsolicited and undesignated donations and spontaneous volunteer management operations are established. The Salvation Army is the lead agency and is partnering with Seventh Day Adventist, AmeriCorps and local emergency management agencies.

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#### Kansas City Metro Area:

In order to donate to the Kansas City area or to coordinate needs and requests donors and organizations should call should call The Salvation Army Helpline at <u>816-221-1525</u>. Several warehouses/distribution centers are being secured for managing donations. The Salvation Army is setting up a multi-agency warehouse at 1110 East Truman in Kansas City, MO and a distribution center at 59th Terrace and North Oak in Kansas City, North. The Salvation Army will manage donations for the Greater Kansas City area.

## Southwest Missouri and Other Parts of Missouri:

The number to call to coordinate or offer unsolicited or designated donations is **800 489-8183**. he Seventh Day Adventist Community Services, The Salvation Army, AmeriCorps and the Emergency Management Director for Polk County are coordinating together to manage donations in Southwest Missouri. A warehouse and phone bank is established in to serve the Southwest Missouri counties.

The list of items needed is

- Bottles of water
- Gatorade
- Prepackaged snack food
- New building materials
- Tarp
- Wire fence
- Fence post
- Pillows
- Blankets
- Rakes
- Mops
- Brooms
- Chain saw chains
- Diesel fuel
- Bar oil
- Bedding
- Beds
- Trash bags
- Cleaning supplies
- Personal hygiene
- New underwear and socks

Check with the 800 number to confirm the needs and "unneeds", reception centers, warehouses, hours, etc. **Donations of used clothing will not be accepted at this time**.

Two FEMA voluntary agency liaisons are assigned to Missouri and are based in the Disaster Field Office in Springfield.

<u>Points of Contact</u>: SEMA Duty Officer after hours number is 573-751-2748, during normal hours calls should be made to 573-526-9100.